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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2006. The three month shortened statutory period to respond to the Office Action was set to expire March 1, 2007. Thus, a petition for a three-month extension of time is included with this paper.

Initially, Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowed subject matter. Entry of this Response and Amendment is respectfully requested since it is believed to place the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal and does not raise any new issues that require further consideration and/or search.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.